6: Kirchhoff--38 [2] U-4 (no date) 1895 Formosans
116, 206, 491, 496

But the most recent and most important advance has to do with communications. At least a beginning is being made with the construction of more substantial roads to connect the interior, the posts are being put on a systematic and unified basis and, under the first Governor, Liu-ming-tschuan, who lent an ear with unusual readiness to the counsels of foreigners, the first railroad to be approved by the Chinese Government has been built. It runs from the harbor of Ki-lung to Sin-tschu, and a continuation running via Tai-uan to Tai-nan is being prepared by means of alinement surveying (Tracenvermessung). In 1887 and 1888 the telegraph line running from Ta-kao to An-ping was carried on to Tam-sui, Tai-pe and Ki-lung, and at Tam-sui Formosa was connected by cable with the mainland, and at An-ping with the Fisher Islands.

7: Joest--55 [13] E-5 (no date) 1882 Formosans
116, 206

Formosa is the first ... region where the Chinese have established telegraphic connections; the line leads from Taiwanfu to Takao ....

25: Plaut--32 U-4 (no date) 1903 Formosans
116, 206, 496, 654, 177.65 China
636.65

Liu-Ming-Chuan [EJ: the Chinese Viceroy appointed in 1884] was eager to make Formosa more progressive. So he built a railroad from Kelung to the capital T'ai-pei-fu, and from there on to Hsin-chu; he connected the capital T'ai-pei to T'ai-nan and the Pescadores with a telegraph line, and then he made Formosa a part of the world telegraph system by constructing a cable to Futchou. He also established a well-regulated postal system. Industry, including sugar, also received his support. Although Liu-Ming-Chuang's administration was very beneficial for Formosa, he aroused much dissatisfaction by raising the taxes and levying an inland duty, for the previous revenues were not sufficient to defray the costs of his innovations.